

Lot 11, Concession 5, Kinloss

Mr. and Mrs. Murdoch MacKenzie and family were the first settlers on this farm. Mr. Mackenzie was an ardent Presbyterian and the first church built in Kinloss Twp.- a log church built on Lot 11 Con. 2 Kinloss, about one half mile north from the second concession corner, and built prior to 1856, was known as Murdock MacKenzie's church owing to the prominent part he took in its erection. He did a lot of the work himself. Mr. MacKenzie was elected one of the first elders of South Kinloss church and was a member of the first Council in Kinloss-elected in 1854. He was fitted by nature and education to give efficient service in both offices. The first Post Office in the Township was in their home- now the Allister Hughes residence. The MacKenzie family moved to a farm on Concession 6, Culross Twp. later moving to Lucknow where their youngest son Angus conducted a bakery business for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hughes succeeded the MacKenzies on this farm in the early 1870 and their son Benjamin and his wife Jane Mac Donald resided here till Mrs. Hughes death in 1900. After Mrs. Hughes death, Mr. Hughes and his young son, Allister resided here till Mr. Hughes death in 1921 when the property was acquired by his son Allister.

He and his wife, Jean Webb, R.N. of St. Helens, have lived here and dispensed the real old fashioned type of hospitality for nearly thirty five years. The house has been completely modernized and surrounded as it is by trees, flowers and shrubs, it is one of

Kinloss's lovely old farm homes. Allister served in World War I, is Chairman of the Lucknow District High School Board and is active in Masonic and other activities. Jean has always responded to the call of the whole community whenever and wherever there was illness.



Allister and Jean Hughes.
June 1922.



Our home in Lucknow



Ruth MacKenzie on
Jean Hughes.
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